"The South 40"
by JAMES A. SMITH
EXTENSION AGENT

Reproduction efficiency of swine is the ability of sows to farrow and wean a large number of healty pigs. It is the number of pigs weaned that determine a sows value, not the number of pigs born. Improvement in litter size offers one of the greatest opportunities for increasing the efficiency of pork production.

With this background, what is a reasonable goal for a producer to shoot -- a conception rate of 90 percent and wean an average of 9.5 pigs per litter. With the National average of 80 percent conception and 7.3 pigs weaned per litter, this may seem to be too high. If progress is to be made, goals must be set; yet, goals will differ from one farm to another.

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A four-page Farmer's Newsletter is sent out six times per year and relates to marketing and production. This publication is developed and mailed direct from Washington. Five of the newsletters relate to specific commodities: wheat, feed, livestock, oilseeds and cotton; another is general in content.

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Corn planting has been fragmented because of unusual weather conditons this spring. Some estimates have been developed to demonstrate the amount of loss because of delayed planting. The assumption is a 100 bushel yield and the yield loss in bushels per acre, per day on a dry basis:

April 1-April 15	0
April 15-May 1	0.1
May 1-May 15	0.25
May 15-June 1	0.75
June 1-June 15	1.0
June 15-July 1	1.25

This simply says that if corn was planted May 1 rather than April 15 the loss is only 1½ bushels per acre, but if planting is delayed until June 1, there is a loss of 16½ bushels.

So many times we have talked about timeliness of doing jobs on the farm -- this is an excellent example of what can and does occur.

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For sometime there has been no antidote for poisoning from Paraquat. I'm told that Bentonite Clay has been found to be effective if used with other supportive measures.

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When planning construction of farm buildings a buffer zone should be established to provide passage, fire protection, ventilation and appearance. Use at least twice the width for wider buildings.

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Home attic ventilation will aid in comfort this summer - first, be sure there is adequate insulation and second, consider a ventilation fan. Fans may reduce home temperatures by as much as 10 degrees.

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Don't forget to check the gear lubricant in garden tillers. Often tillers lose the gear oil while operating and it is not noticeable. Power loss is an indication of low gear lubricant. Better remove the plug and check it today.

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PRECIPITATION:

Last Week	.15
This Month	1.50
This Year	22.87

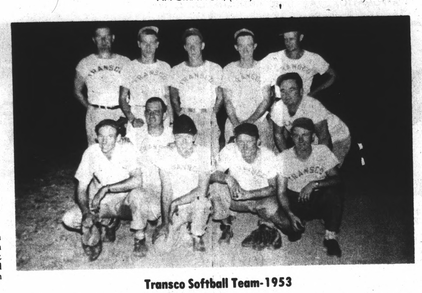
Named To Dean's List

Cynthia Anne Smith, a 1976 graduate of Appomattox County High School, was among 330 Longwood College students who achieved the distinction of earning an academic average of 3.5 (B+) from a possible 4.0 during the second semester of the college year.

Miss Smith earned a 4.0 average. She is one of 89 students who made 4.0 or all A's.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Smith of Gladstone.

Founded in 1839, Longwood became fully coeducational in June of 1976, offering residence hall accomodations and all attendant services to both male and female students. A comprehensive institution, the college offers majors in 30 subject areas, as well as professional training for social work, business, the health sciences, and teaching.



Transco Softball Team-1953

With softball in the news so much today and at this time of the year, we were asked to print this 1953 picture of the TRANSCO SOFTBALL TEAM.

Can you recognize many, or all, of the players?

On the front row, left to right, are Shearer Robertson, Ed Carter, Bob McIntyre, William Mitchell and Lloyd Bryant; and on the back row, left to right, Jim Beamer, Tommy Keesee, Tommy Keesee, Tommy Patterson, Harry Ferguson, Jr., Sam Page, and John Oxford. Only three of these men are still working at TRANSCO Station 170 in Appomattox. They are Lloyd Bryant, Tommy Patteson and Harry Ferguson, Jr.

BOTTLE CAPS HELP WITH TWO SCHOOL TRIPS

During the school year, Mrs. Myrick's class at Robert E. Lee Academy saved Dr. Pepper bottle caps which they redeemed for cash from the Dr. Pepper Bottling Company in Lynchburg. They used the money to buy three evergreen bushes for the front of the school and had enough money left to help finance two trips. The first trip was to Chap Stick Company in Lynchburg and the second trip was to J. ohn Kerr Dam and the electric power plant at Buggs Island.

Students shown in above photo, standing, are Wayne King, P. W. Kitchen, Mary Lee Bryant, Liz Pierce, Mary Everly, Stella Osborne, and Sandy Kitchen; and kneeling, Kim Johnson and Lisa Moon.

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Hold St. John's Day Celebration

The Long Mountain Lodge No. 204 will hold its annual St. John's Day program this Sunday evening at the Pilot Mountain Baptist Church at Concord, VA at 3 p.m. W. M. Edward James will serve as Master of Ceremony, which will conclude his term as worshipful master. The Rev. Wyatt Venerable will deliver the sermon. Special music will be rendered by the Pilot Mountain Senior Choir. The public is cordially invited to attend.

A large crowd of relatives and friends attended the funeral service of the late Mrs. Maggie Tibbs Monday evening at 4 o'clock at the Galilee Baptist Church. The pastor of the church delivered the eulogy. He was assisted in the service by the Reverends J. W. Paige and Harrison Kelso. Acknowledgements were made by Rev. Paige. Special music was rendered by a mixed choir. Mr. Timotheous Lawing rendered a solo. The floral designs were in large numbers. Interment was held in the local community cemetery. West Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

A delegation of six cars attended the installation service of Rev. R. Q. Lawing, Jr. as pastor of the Third Liberty Baptist Church of New Canton, Virginia. The local Galilee senior choir rendered beautiful music. The local usher board, deacon board and a large number of members took an active part in the service. The Rev. J. W. Steed served as master of ceremony and the following deacons and ministers took an active part: Deacon G. F. Harris presented the newly elected pastor, Rev. R. H. Turner delivered the prayer; the special sermon was delivered by Rev. R. Q. Lawing, Sr. Rev. Scruggs, moderator of the Slate River Association gave the charge to the church and the Rev. J. W. Kerr gave the charge to the pastor. The newly installed minister gave the final remarks. The service was very impressive and enjoyed by all present.

All officers and members of the Promise Land Baptist Church are reminded of the regular church meeting this Saturday at 12 o'clock. Plans for the revival and association will be presented.

Rev. A. B. Jones is improving slowly at his home.

Miss Elizabeth Jordan who suffered an accident at her home has recovered and is doing nicely at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Martin spent Father's Day in New York with their sons and their families.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Lawing attended the cook out sponsored by Mrs. Johnny Hall last Saturday in Charlotte County.

Mrs. Mable Goode and Mr. Charlie Palmer have returned home after receiving special treatment in the Lynchburg General Hospital.

All officers and members and friends are asked to attend regular preaching service at the Promise Land Baptist Church this Sunday morning at 11 a.m. Please arrange to be on time.

The Annual Men's Day Program of the Mount Shiloh Baptist Church was a great success. All who came out enjoyed the program. Rev. Phillip Elliott and his chorus were the special guest.

A large crowd of members and friends attended the special Father's Day Service at the Zion Baptist Church Sunday at 11 a.m. The Junior Choir rendered beautiful music with Miss Derby Hankin at the piano under Mrs. Rebecca Ferguson. The male chorus sang several songs after the devotion. Rev. Hankins gave special thanks to the pastor and for his 3rd anniversary and all who took a part in it. Rev. Hankin preached a challenging sermon, the subject "Our Father." All present enjoyed this great message. All Fathers and their families set in the middle isle. The offering was very good. Mr. Thomas Jackson, father of Mrs. Barbara Radcliff joined the Zion Baptist Church by letter. She was a former member of First Baptist Church in Pennsylvania. We are happy to have this member. Mrs. Lizzie Mack is still in Virginia Baptist Hospital improving slowly. Mrs. Ida Patterson returned home Saturday from Charlottesville hospital for special treatment. Mr. Elijah Wheeler formerly of Pamplin is now in a hospital in Radford, VA, Rev. Hankin prayed a special prayer for all our sick everywhere.

The Pastors Aid met in Mrs. Franklin's home last Wednesday with president, Mrs. Susie Hunter recording secretary, Deacon Frank Johnson, our chaplain, Mrs. Mildred Wheeler and Mrs. Sarah Douthers was charge of the devotion. The offering was very good. Mrs. Susie Hunter was appointed as chairman for the pastor's aid anniversary. Mrs. Ruth Cobbs, co-chairman. The aid was happy to have Mrs. Sarah Douthers at our meeting.

Mrs. Nannie Johnson, chairman for our pastor's anniversary thanks the members for taking part on the program. Mrs. Barbara Radcliff thanks those who gave food for the dinner. At the closing of the meeting Mrs. Franklin served a delicious dinner. Rev. and Mrs. Hankin and family was dinner guest of Deacon and Mrs. Ross Edward Sunday.

Rev. Hankin and the senior choir was guest at the Mt. Pleasant Church Sunday at 4 p.m. Benefit - Building Fund. Sponsored by Mrs. O'nell Chambers.

Mrs. Julia Terry's nephew from Richmond visited her over the week end. Deacon Robert Ford, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dungee was happy to have her children home for Father's Day. Gertrude and family, James and family also their Aunt Annie and cousin from Richmond.

The Ladies Aid will meet at the Zion Baptist Church Sunday at 2 p.m.

The Vacation Bible School will begin Monday, June 19 at the Zion Baptist Church each evening at 6 p.m. You are cordially invited to attend.

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ASCS Today
By Tom Conrad

Certification of 1978 Crops - The ASCS office reminds farmers in the county of the importance of reporting 1978 crop acreage. We are asking all farmers in the county to report crop and land use acreage regardless of whether or not they are participating in various programs.

Due to rather late planting this year because of weather conditions this spring, the final reporting dates for certain crops has been extended. This extension is applicable for this year only. Farmers are asked to file an acreage report by the revised date for the following crops and set-aside:

1. Barley, corn, rye, oats and what - not later than July 14.
2. Set-aside - not later than July 14.
3. Fire, sun and burley tobacco - not later than July 14.
4. Flue tobacco - not later than June 30.
5. Tobacco history preservation - not later than July 14.
6. Soybeans and grain sorghum - not later than July 30.

Farmers who are signed up in the set-aside program will need to report by the above dates in order to remain eligible for program benefits. Farmers that are producing tobacco will need to report by the above dates so that they may be eligible to receive price support. If you are not in the set-aside program and are not producing tobacco, you are asked to report crop acreage so that ASCS records can be kept up to date.

1978 Rates of Penalty on Sales of Excess Tobacco - The Crop Reporting Board has announced the season average prices for tobacco received by farmers for 1977. The rate of penalty on sales of excess tobacco this year is 75 percent of last year's average market price.

The average market price and rate of penalty are as follows:

Kinds of Tobacco, Av. Market Pr. [Cents per lb.], Rate of Penalty [Cents per lb.]: Burley, 120.0, .90; Flue-Cured 117.6, .88; Fire-cured, 96.8, .72; Va. Sun-Cured, 100.0, .75.

Commodity Loans - Harvest time is upon us for small grains. Farmers that are signed up in the set-aside program and are harvesting barley, wheat, oats or rye are eligible to put these grains under loan for up to 9 months and wait for better prices before selling.

If you are not in the set-aside program and do not have barley, wheat, corn, or grain sorghum planted you are still eligible to receive a loan on oats and rye.

The interest rate on commodity loans is 7% and the loan rates are as follows: wheat - $2.23 per bushel, barley - $1.60 per bushel, oats - $1.13 per bushel, and rye - $1.83 per bushel.

At the 9-month maturity date, you have the option of either paying back the loan or extending the loan and going into the three year Grain Reserve Program.

If you are interested in the program more detailed information can be obtained at the ASCS office.

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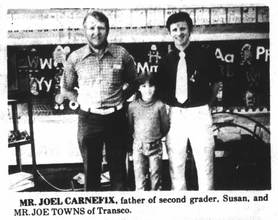
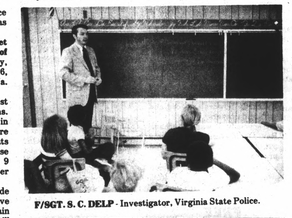
MR. MICHAEL TORRENCE - Army, Lynchburg Reserve Center.



MR. JOEL CARNEFIX, father of second grader, Susan, and MR. JOE TOWNS of Transco.



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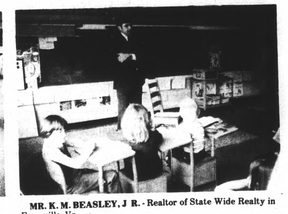

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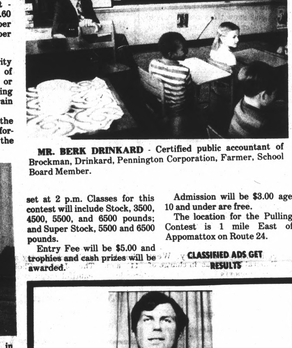

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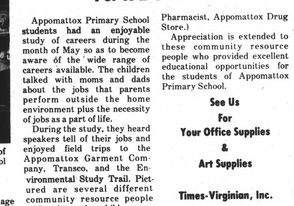

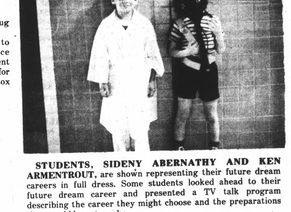

STUDENTS, SIDENY ABERNATHY AND KEN ARMENTROUT, are shown representing their future dream careers in full dress. Some students looked ahead to their future dream career and presented a TV talk program describing the career they might choose and the preparations they would have to make.

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An Introduction to Career Education For K-2 Students

Appomattox Primary School students had an enjoyable study of careers during the month of May so as to become aware of the wide range of careers available. The children talked with moms and dads about the jobs that parents perform outside the home environment plus the necessity of jobs as a part of life.

During the study, they heard speakers tell of their jobs and enjoyed field trips to the Appomattox Garment Company, Transco, and the Environmental Study Trail. Pictured are several different community resource people with whom the children are relatively familiar, who were called upon to discuss their jobs and "tools of their trade". (Not pictured is Mr. Brod Pack Pharmacist, Appomattox Drug Store.)

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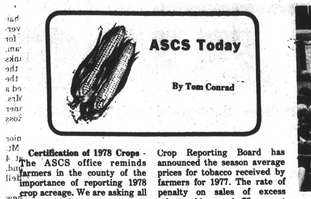

NATHAN SMITH tries his luck pulling the sled in preparation for the **TRACTOR PULL CONTEST** this Saturday night, sponsored by the Appomattox County Young Farmers.

MANY 4-WHEELERS will be trying their luck Sunday afternoon at the 4-Wheel Drive Pull. Come out and support your local Young Farmer Association.

Appomattox Young Farmers Sponsors Pulling Contest

The Appomattox Young Farmers will sponsor a pulling contest for tractors and 4 - W Drive on Saturday, June 24th, and on Sunday, June 25th.

The Tractor Pulling Contest will be held on Saturday beginning at 7 p.m. The classes will be Factory Stock Farm, 7000 and 9000 pounds; Stock, 7000, 9000, and 12,000 pounds; and Modified, 7000 and 9000 pounds.

The 4-W Drive Pulling Contest will be held Sunday, June 25th with starting time set at 2 p.m. Classes for this contest will include Stock, 3500, 4500, 5500, and 6500 pounds; and Super Stock, 5500 and 6500 pounds.

Entry Fee will be $5.00 and trophies and cash prizes will be awarded.

Admission will be $3.00 age 10 and under are free.

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